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CONSUMER PRICE INDEX – NOVEMBER 2007

	PERCENT CHANGE - ALL ITEMS INDEX	
	NOVEMBER 07/NOVEMBER 06	NOVEMBER 07/ OCTOBER 07
MANITOBA	1.7	-0.2
CANADA	2.5	0.3

The Manitoba all items index rose 1.7% in November 2007 compared with November 2006, down from the October annual rate of 1.9%. Canada's annual rate of price increase in November was 2.5%, up slightly from its October rate of 2.4%.

Chart 1 presents a summary of price changes for Manitoba and Canada over the last two years. The method of calculation shown in Chart 1 is the most widely used, and is often referred to by the media as the **"inflation rate"**. It is based on the percent change between the current month and the same month the previous year.

Manitoba's annual inflation rate of 1.7% in November was second lowest among the provinces. Alberta recorded the highest increase at 4.7%, while British Columbia recorded the lowest rate at 1.3%. The Winnipeg all items increase was 1.6% in November, down from an annual rate of 1.8% in October.

Between November 2006 and November 2007, Manitoba saw lower prices for purchase and leasing of passenger vehicles, recreational equipment and services (excluding recreational vehicles), women's clothing, other food preparations, fresh fruit, fresh vegetables, as well as passenger vehicle insurance premiums. These declines were offset by higher prices for gasoline, mortgage interest cost, food purchased from restaurants, replacement cost, other owned accommodation expenses, homeowners' home and mortgage insurance, and cablevision and satellite services (including pay television).

On a monthly basis, the Manitoba all-items index was 0.2% lower in November, up from the 0.7% decrease in October. Prices were lower last month for women's clothing, natural gas, traveller accommodation, recreational equipment and services (excluding recreational vehicles), fresh or frozen beef, preserved fruit and fruit preparations, as well as clothing accessories and jewellery. These declines were offset by mortgage interest cost, personal care supplies and equipment, men's clothing, gasoline, other food preparations, rent, and non-alcoholic beverages. Prices at the national level increased by 0.3% in November, up from the 0.3% decrease in October.

CHART 1. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX
MONTHLY INFLATION RATE
MANITOBA AND CANADA

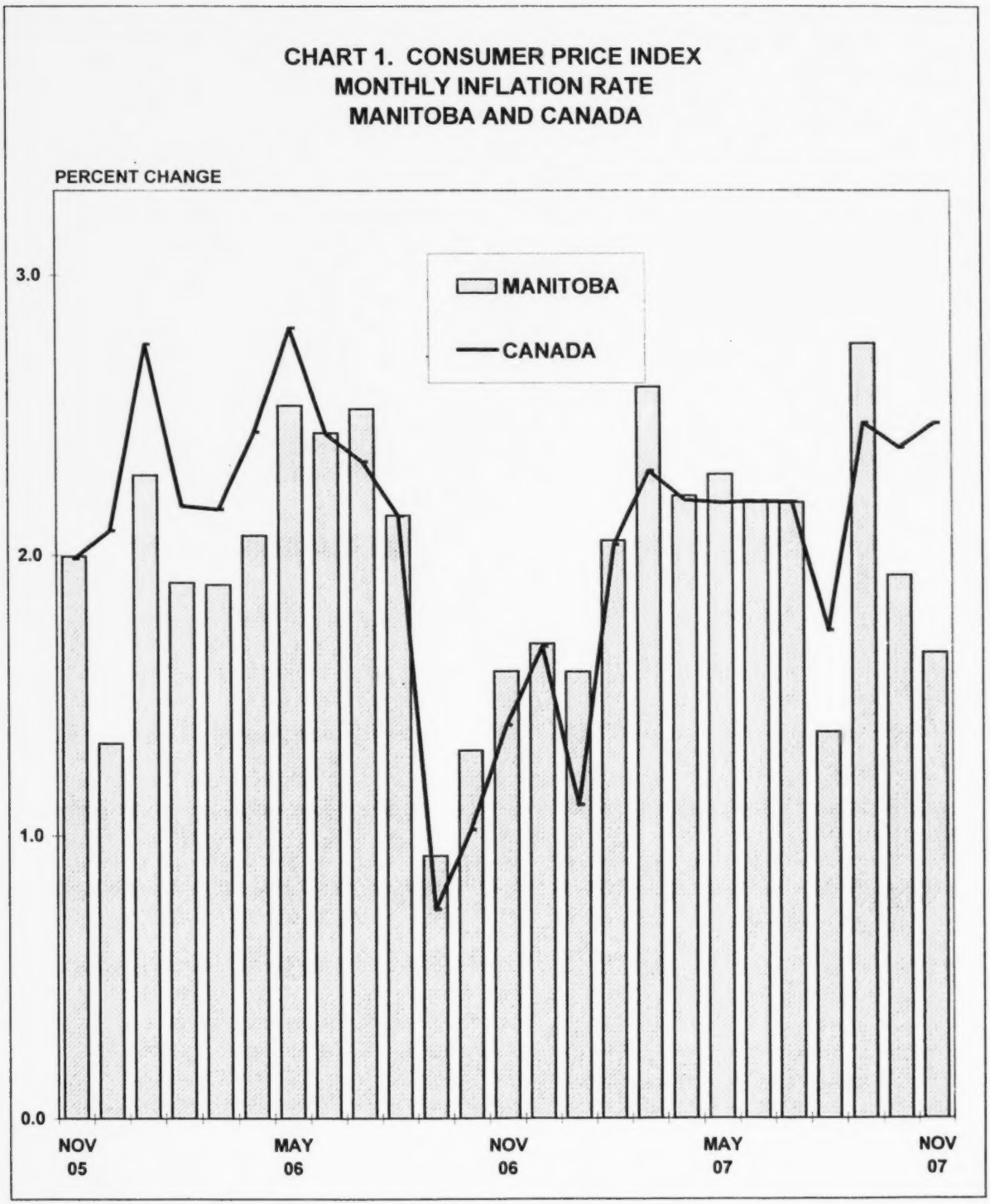

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CHART 2. CONSUMER PRICE INDICES
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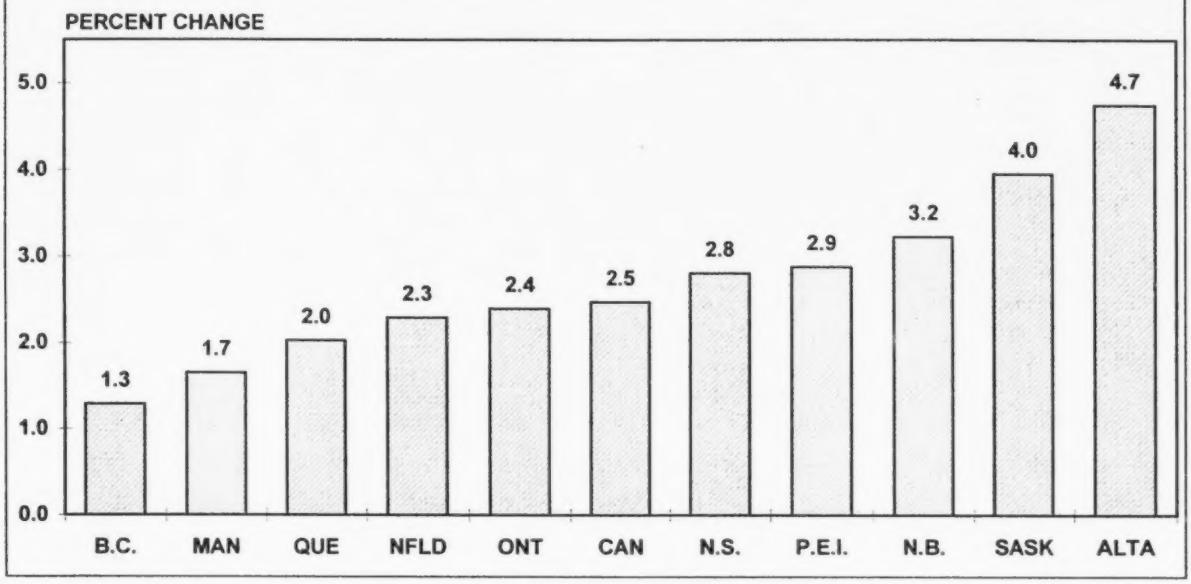
ALL ITEMS: CANADA AND PROVINCES



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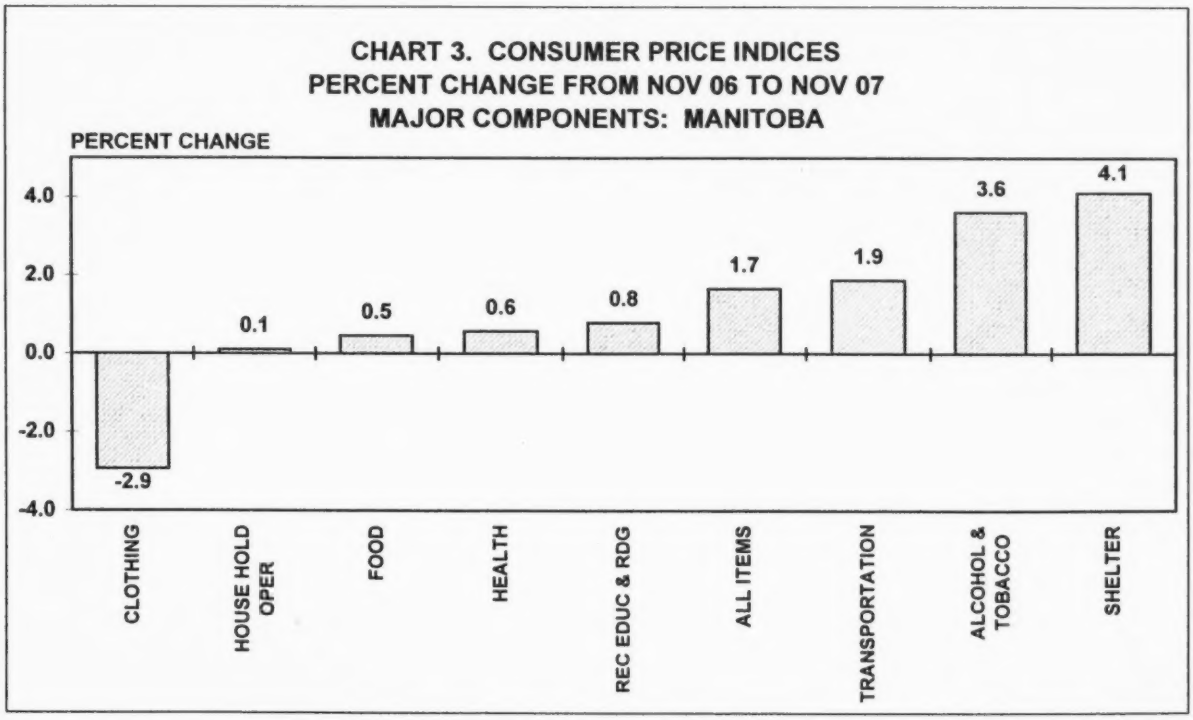

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TABLE 1: CONSUMER PRICE INDICES FOR NOVEMBER 2007

(2002 = 100)

	MANITOBA					CANADA				
	NOV 07	OCT 07	PERCENT CHANGE	NOV 06	PERCENT CHANGE	NOV 07	OCT 07	PERCENT CHANGE	NOV 06	PERCENT CHANGE
MAIN COMPONENTS:										
ALL ITEMS	110.8	111.0	-0.2	109.0	1.7	111.9	111.6	0.3	109.2	2.5
FOOD	111.2	111.7	-0.4	110.7	0.5	111.3	110.7	0.5	110.1	1.1
SHELTER	116.7	116.7	0.0	112.1	4.1	118.8	118.7	0.1	114.1	4.1
HOUSEHOLD OPERATIONS AND FURNISHINGS	103.4	103.7	-0.3	103.3	0.1	103.3	103.4	-0.1	102.2	1.1
CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR	95.9	97.9	-2.0	98.8	-2.9	96.4	97.1	-0.7	97.0	-0.6
TRANSPORTATION	114.6	114.4	0.2	112.5	1.9	116.7	115.2	1.3	112.7	3.5
HEALTH AND PERSONAL CARE	107.0	106.1	0.8	106.4	0.6	108.0	107.5	0.5	106.7	1.2
RECREATION, EDUCATION AND READING	103.0	103.4	-0.4	102.2	0.8	102.0	102.7	-0.7	100.5	1.5
TOBACCO AND ALCOHOL	126.3	126.7	-0.3	121.9	3.6	126.5	126.3	0.2	122.3	3.4
SPECIAL AGGREGATES:										
ALL ITEMS EXCL. FOOD	110.7	110.8	-0.1	108.7	1.8	112.0	111.8	0.2	109.1	2.7
ALL ITEMS EXCL. FOOD AND ENERGY	108.3	108.4	-0.1	107.1	1.1	109.6	109.6	0.0	107.7	1.8
ENERGY	133.3	133.7	-0.3	123.5	7.9	136.5	134.5	1.5	123.8	10.3
GOODS	107.5	108.0	-0.5	107.5	0.0	107.6	107.1	0.5	106.1	1.4
SERVICES	114.5	114.3	0.2	110.7	3.4	116.2	116.1	0.1	112.4	3.4

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TABLE 2: CONSUMER PRICE INDICES FOR NOVEMBER 2007

(2002 = 100)

	ALL ITEMS					FOOD				
	NOV 07	OCT 07	PERCENT CHANGE	NOV 06	PERCENT CHANGE	NOV 07	OCT 07	PERCENT CHANGE	NOV 06	PERCENT CHANGE
MANITOBA	110.3	111.0	-0.2	109.0	1.7	111.2	111.7	-0.4	110.7	0.5
WESTERN PROVINCES										
SASKATCHEWAN	113.1	113.0	0.1	108.8	4.0	111.0	111.0	0.0	109.9	1.0
ALBERTA	119.1	118.6	0.4	113.7	4.7	110.5	110.6	-0.1	109.8	0.6
BRITISH COLUMBIA	110.1	110.0	0.1	108.7	1.3	109.3	109.0	0.3	108.4	0.8
EASTERN PROVINCES										
ONTARIO	111.2	110.9	0.3	108.6	2.4	111.2	110.1	1.0	109.6	1.5
QUEBEC	110.3	110.5	0.3	108.6	2.0	112.6	112.0	0.5	111.8	0.7
MARITIME PROVINCES										
NEW BRUNSWICK	111.9	111.4	0.4	108.4	3.2	115.3	114.0	1.1	111.3	3.6
NOVA SCOTIA	113.5	112.6	0.8	110.4	2.8	115.4	113.6	1.6	112.4	2.7
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	114.3	114.1	0.2	111.1	2.9	114.2	113.4	0.7	110.4	3.4
NEWFOUNDLAND/LABRADOR	111.3	111.2	0.4	109.1	2.3	111.0	109.9	1.0	107.7	3.1
* MANITOBA RANK			1		2			1		1

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* Ranking is done in ascending order from the lowest to the highest

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TABLE 3: PERCENT CHANGE COMPARISONS, MANITOBA AND CANADA

(AS OF NOVEMBER 2007)

	(1) CHANGE FROM SAME MONTH LAST YEAR		(2) CURRENT ANNUAL RATE OF CHANGE		(3) 12 - MONTH ANNUAL RATE	
MAIN COMPONENTS	MANITOBA	CANADA	MANITOBA	CANADA	MANITOBA	CANADA
ALL ITEMS	1.7	2.5	-1.4	0.7	2.0	2.1
FOOD	0.5	1.1	-5.2	-1.8	3.3	2.7
SHELTER	4.1	4.1	2.8	4.1	3.6	3.4
HOUSEHOLD OPERATIONS AND FURNISHINGS	0.1	1.1	-3.0	-0.8	0.1	0.9
CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR	-2.9	-0.6	11.6	4.3	-0.2	-0.3
TRANSPORTATION	1.9	3.5	-6.0	1.4	1.1	1.5
HEALTH AND PERSONAL CARE	0.6	1.2	1.5	1.5	0.5	1.3
RECREATION, EDUCATION AND READING	0.8	1.5	-1.2	-3.5	1.5	1.0
TOBACCO AND ALCOHOL	3.6	3.4	-1.3	1.3	3.2	3.2
SPECIAL AGGREGATES:						
ALL ITEMS EXCL. FOOD	1.8	2.7	-0.7	1.1	1.8	1.9
ALL ITEMS EXCL. FOOD AND ENERGY	1.1	1.8	1.1	1.5	1.7	1.9
ENERGY	7.9	10.3	-11.4	0.3	1.9	1.8
GOODS	0.0	1.4	-4.7	-0.4	0.9	0.7
SERVICES	3.4	3.4	2.1	2.1	3.3	3.3

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NOTE: THERE ARE SEVERAL WAYS TO MEASURE THE ANNUAL PERCENT CHANGE OF THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, COMMONLY REFERRED TO AS THE INFLATION RATE. THE ABOVE TABLE PRESENTS THREE DIFFERENT METHODS:

(1) THE MOST COMMONLY USED METHOD OF REPORTING THE INFLATION RATE, BASED ON PERCENT CHANGE FROM THE SAME MONTH ONE YEAR AGO.

(2) PROVIDES A MEASURE OF THE CURRENT ANNUAL RATE OF INFLATION. THE GROWTH RATE OVER THE PRECEEDING THREE MONTHS IS CALCULATED AND THEN COMPOUNDED AT AN ANNUAL RATE. IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT THESE CALCULATIONS HAVE NOT BEEN SEASONALLY-ADJUSTED.

(3) COMPARES THE AVERAGE OF THE 12 MONTHS ENDING THIS MONTH WITH THE AVERAGE OF THE 12 MONTHS ENDING ONE YEAR EARLIER.

TABLE 4: CONSUMER PRICE INDICES FOR NOVEMBER 2007: ALL ITEMS

(2002 = 100)

	NOV 07	OCT 07	PERCENT CHANGE	(1) CHANGE FROM SAME MONTH LAST YEAR	(2) 12 - MONTH ANNUAL RATE
WINNIPEG	110.7	110.9	-0.2	1.6	2.1
WESTERN CITIES					
REGINA	112.4	112.3	0.1	3.5	2.5
SASKATOON	114.3	114.1	0.2	5.2	3.1
CALGARY	119.1	118.7	0.3	4.3	5.2
EDMONTON	118.8	118.3	0.4	5.1	4.8
VANCOUVER	110.4	110.4	0.0	1.4	2.2
VICTORIA	109.6	109.5	0.1	0.6	1.2
EASTERN CITIES					
THUNDER BAY	108.2	107.9	0.3	1.5	1.0
TORONTO	111.0	110.7	0.3	2.5	1.8
OTTAWA	110.9	110.7	0.2	2.2	1.8
MONTREAL	110.7	110.4	0.3	1.8	1.5
QUEBEC	110.5	110.2	0.3	1.9	1.2
MARITIME CITIES					
SAINT JOHN, N.B.	111.9	111.4	0.4	3.2	1.7
HALIFAX	113.1	112.3	0.7	2.8	1.9
CHARLOTTETOWN	114.0	113.8	0.2	3.0	1.8
ST. JOHN'S, NFLD	111.3	111.0	0.3	2.4	1.3
* WINNIPEG RANK (OUT OF 16 CITIES)			1	4	11

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(1) THE MOST COMMONLY USED METHOD OF REPORTING THE INFLATION RATE, BASED ON PERCENT CHANGE FROM THE SAME MONTH ONE YEAR AGO.

(2) COMPARES THE AVERAGE OF THE 12 MONTHS ENDING THIS MONTH WITH THE AVERAGE OF THE 12 MONTHS ENDING ONE YEAR EARLIER.

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